IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Michael GERLACH

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For : METHOD FOR OPERATING A METERING

VALVE AND DEVICE FOR PERFORMING

THE METHOD

Examiner : Tu Minh Nguyen

Group Art Unit : 3748
Confirmation No. : 8816
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RCE AMENDMENT

SIR:

Pursuant to the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), and in response to the Final Office Action of May 25, 2010, (the three- month response date for which has been extended from August 25, 2010 to September 27, 2010 (September 25, 2010 falls on a Saturday) by the accompanying transmittal), please reconsider the above-identified application based on the following.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

The additional claim fee of \$55 for the one (1) net added claim is being paid by credit card. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge **Kenyon & Kenyon LLP**, Deposit Account No. 11-0600 for any additional fee(s) and/or underpayments of fee(s) under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17, or to credit any overpayments.